

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-37. (cancelled)

38. (currently amended) An object, comprising an exposed surface which is provided with a safety device for securing a personal fall protection, directly or indirectly, said safety device comprises an anchoring means with an anchoring member for securing said personal fall protection, and said safety device is secured to said surface by means of fastening means which leaves said surface puncture free, said fastening means comprise a flexible fastening flap which extends laterally with respect to said anchoring means, and said flexible fastening flap is glued, welded or otherwise locally bonded to said exposed surface of said object to render a firm and durable connection.

39. (previously presented) The object according to claim 38, wherein said exposed surface is provided with a flexible wall-covering material, and said flap likewise comprises a flexible wall-covering material.

40. (previously presented) The object according to claim 39, wherein said wall-covering material comprises a bituminous or plastic roof-covering material.

41. (previously presented) The object according to claim 38, wherein said flap extends laterally on either side of and around said anchoring member.

42. (previously presented) The object according to claim 38, wherein said anchoring means comprise a substantially rigid, substantially flat body, being provided with said anchoring member, and said flap extends laterally from said body, adhering to said surface.

43. (previously presented) The object according to claim 38, wherein said anchoring member is selected from a group consisting of a threaded end, a fixing eyelet, a cable guide and a cable bushing.

44. (withdrawn) The object according to claim 38, wherein said anchoring member is connected by means of a damping construction to a remaining portion of the device.

45. (currently amended) A safety device for a personal fall protection to be applied on ~~an the~~ object ~~according to claim 38~~, comprising ~~said-an~~ anchoring means with ~~said-an~~ anchoring member for securing said personal fall protection, directly or indirectly, and comprising ~~said-a~~ fastening means that leaves a surface puncture free to render for a firm and reliable connection to said object, wherein said fastening means comprise a flexible fastening flap which is firmly connected to a substantially flat, substantially rigid body which comprises said anchoring means, and said flexible fastening flap extends laterally with respect to said body and is, during use, glued, welded or otherwise bonded to an exposed surface of said object.

46. (currently amended) The safety device according to claim 45, wherein said substantially rigid body is ~~unremovably~~ pre-assembled with said flexible fastening flap.

47. (currently amended) The safety device according to claim 45, wherein said substantially flat, rigid body comprises a substantially round flange-shaped member which is connected to a further substantially round flange-shaped member while enclosing said flap.

48. (currently amended) The safety device according to claim 47, wherein at least one of said substantially round flange-shaped member and said further substantially round flange-shaped member is provided at an inner side with attaching members which extend into said flap.

49. (currently amended) The safety device according to claim 47, wherein said substantially round flange-shaped member and said further substantially round flange-shaped member are provided at their centre with cup-shaped profiles which are nested into each other.

50. (currently amended) The safety device according to claim 49, wherein said substantially round flange-shaped member and said further substantially round flange-shaped member are mutually connected by means of a central screw bolt with nut, said screw bolt protrudes through said flap and is received together with said nut at least partly in the cups, and the anchoring member is connected, or at least connectable, to a free end of the screw bolt.

51. (previously presented) The safety device according to claim 50, wherein the anchoring member comprises a fixing eyelet which is connected releasably to the screw bolt.

52. (withdrawn) The safety device according to claim 47, wherein at least one of said substantially flange-shaped member and said further substantially flange-shaped member is provided with perforations.

53. (withdrawn) The safety device according to claim 47, wherein at least one of said substantially flange-shaped member and said further substantially flange-shaped member is provided with incisions running at least substantially radially from a centre.

54. (withdrawn) The safety device according to claim 47, wherein a peripheral edge part of at least one of said substantially flange-shaped member and said further substantially flange-shaped member projects to a side remote from said flap.

55. (withdrawn) A method of providing an object with a safety device for securing a personal fall protection, comprising:

providing a safety device having anchoring means with an anchoring member;

providing a flexible fastening flap, extending laterally with respect to said anchoring means and being unremovably connected thereto; and

gluing, welding or otherwise bonding said flexible flap locally to an exposed surface of said object.

56. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 55, wherein said flexible fastening flap is unremovably pre-assembled to a substantially flat, substantially rigid body before applying the safety device to the object and said body is provided with said anchoring member.

57. (withdrawn) The method according to claim 55 wherein an auxiliary flap of bituminous roof covering material is placed beforehand underneath said rigid body.